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Sir:

I, Philip T. Pienkos, of 50 Treescape Circle, The Woodlands, Texas 77381, am the joint inventor of the above identified application.

I am a coauthor of the publication by *Coco et al.*, *Nat Biotechnology*, 2002, 20(12): 1246-50. I request that the *Coco et al.* publication be removed as a reference since the relevant disclosure of the publication was obtained from our invention; the joint invention of Philip T. Pienkos, Wayne M. Coco and Katrina Loomis that is currently claimed in the above-identified application. The remaining co-authors on the *Coco et al.* paper, Lance P. Encell, William E. Levinson, Michael J. Crist, Laura L. Licato, Joseph J.